received from 60 Ministries/Departments, out of 71973 vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes, 39186 vacancies had been filled by the persons belonging to these categories as on 1.1.2000. Some of the posts reserved for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Other Backward Classes in various Ministries/Departments remain vacant due to reasons like time gap between dates of vacancies and actual dates of their filling up, non-availability of requisite number of reserved category candidates to fill up these posts etc. Need for early filling up of such posts has been stressed upon the appointing authorities from time to time.

(e) Instructions have been issued to all Ministries/Departments to carry out review for early assessment of the backlog vacancies in respect of SCs and STs by way of direct recruitment and promotion and make concerted efforts to fill up backlog vacancies.

Cases filed by CBI

2966. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases filed by the CBI during the last three years;

(b) the number of charge-sheets filed in the above cases; and

(c) the number of cases in which the investigating agency could achieve conviction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) As per the information furnished by the CBI, the number of cases registered by the Central Bureau of Investigation, number of

charge-sheets filed in these cases and number of cases which ended in conviction, during the last three years, is as under:—

Year	Cases Registered	Charge-sheets filed	Cases ended in Conviction
1998	1156	144	21
1999	1186	124	03
2000	1116	139	01 (Upto 31/1/2001)

Filling up of vacancies reserved for SCs/STs

2967. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the vacancies reserved for SCs and STs, as on 31st January, 2001, in his Ministry and its subordinate offices have been filled up;

(b) if so, the details thereof, category-wise; and

(c) if not, the steps being taken to fill up these vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS WELFARE OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) As on 31st January, 2001, 62 posts reserved for SCs and 75 posts reserved for STs were lying vacant in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and its subordinate offices. The post-wise details of the reserved vacancies, category-wise are given in Statement (*See below*).